

## **Tiverton Recreation Commission Meeting**

**May 18, 2006**

**Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Present at meeting: Jack Cook, Theresa Burke, Gary Rose, Diana Toste, Debbie Ebbitt, Dawn DeCosta, Glenn Steckman, Bob Martin, And Ken DeCosta.**

**Batting tunnel at Town Farm - Bob Martin has been unable to find the time to construct the batting tunnel. Gary Rose was advised to contact Claudia Linhares, Little League President, to advise her of status and to see if volunteers from her organization are available to assist in the construction. Bob Martin will run the electric line required to operate the pitching machine.**

**Concession stand at Pocasset Field - the foundation has been poured and construction of the walls are scheduled to start this weekend. Once completed, the roof and other requirements will be done by volunteers from Little League softball.**

**Basketball court at Pocasset Field - backboards have been repainted and one rim has been replaced. The second rim has been ordered and**

**will be installed when received. Due to the recent weather, the painting of the court has not yet been completed. Bob Martin to check status of paint and will schedule completion as time permits.**

**Proposed upgrade to Bulgarmarsh Recreation Area - Glen Steckman and Jack Cook met with George Gifford of the Gifford Design Group, Inc. to discuss architectural drawings for the upgrade. Also discussed offer of use of architect by Joe Bossom , and would it be possible to get input from dual sources. Mr. Gifford saw no problem using the two firms and would get back to Mr. Steckman with appropriate quotes of the cost.**

**Ken DeCosta had copies of the original park enlargement from 1975 showing a much larger parcel as being available. This will have to be researched at Town Hall to determine what land belongs to the town and what is owned by private concerns.**

**Fogland Beach tour with Fogland Oversight Commission - scheduled for Friday, May 19th at 4:30 PM. Gary Rose to attend for Jack Cook and will report back at next months meeting.**

**Use of Town Farm for Soccer Camp in July - as had been previously discussed at the April meeting, unanimous approval was given. Diana Toste to attend Town Council meeting on May 22 for final**

**approval. As has been our policy, Tiverton Youth Soccer will be held responsible for any extreme abuse of the property.**

**Discussion of Bay View Playground and Recreation Area - Gary Rose brought up the subject of overgrowth of the vegetation. The fencing has been obscured and is starting to fall. Bob Martin to put some herbicide to combat the poison ivy growth. The possibility of using ACI work details was discussed and will be researched. If this does not pan out, Gary Rose to get volunteer work team together. Jack Cook will contact Dave Webster of the DPW to see if dump truck or like equipment will be available. Ken DeCosta volunteered to drive any equipment given for use.**

**Registration for Summer Recreation Programs - will take place the last Tuesday and Thursday in June. Programs will start in July and run for six weeks. Besides the normal programs offered, there is a possibility of offering other programs, such as kayak and/or canoe lessons, windsurfing lessons, plus more. These will have to be determined ahead of time to allow for discussions with the Town Council.**

**Stone Bridge Task Force - next meeting scheduled for May 24th at 7:00 PM at Town Hall. Members of the Recreation Commission are welcome to attend, as are members of the public.**

**Signage at Recreation Areas - Glenn Steckman would like to see samples of signage to be placed on all recreation areas as to what is and is not allowed. Currently researching Town Ordinances for what, if any, changes have been made.**

**Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be June 15th at 7:00 PM at the Community Center.**